

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

C4-91-1728

In Re Petition to Establish a Board of Lawyers Assistance, and to Amend the Rules of the Supreme Court for Registration of Attorneys to Increase the Attorney Registration Fee by up to \$20 to Fund a Lawyers Assistance Program.

O R D E R

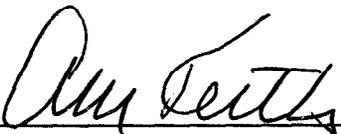
WHEREAS, the Minnesota State Bar Association has petitioned this court to establish a Lawyers Assistance Board and to increase the Attorney Registration Fee in an amount not to exceed \$20 for a 3-year period to fund the program; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was held before this court sitting en banc on March 20, 1992 at which time the court considered oral and written statements offered in support of or in opposition to the petition; now therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the petition be, and the same is, denied. The record demonstrates that the Bar Association and a number of its individual members are deeply committed to the continued development and maintenance of a comprehensive program designed to provide assistance and support to lawyers in need of such assistance. We encourage the Bar Association to continue its efforts, concentrating on a program based upon voluntary contributions.

Dated: June 16, 1992

BY THE COURT:

  
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Chief Justice

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